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## Our Lost Province.

North Carolina's Alsace and Loraine were not torn from her by any foreign invader, but merely allowed to drift away through neglect; but they are none the less effectually gone. The territory west of the Blue Ridge belongs, in large part, to Tennessee and Virginia simply because the mighty barrier, that bars them from North Carolina has not been pierced by North Carolina, and it is not duplicated on the other side. It has been comparatively easy for Virginia and Tennessee to get into these counties; so gradually they have been lost, socially and commercially to North Carolina.

But they can be recovered. They will be recovered, if the program of the North Carolina Good Roads association is adopted by the legislature now in session. The program is based on the State as a unit, but at the same time it provides for the equal and simultaneous development of all sections. It is not proposed to build a complete system of highways in one month or in one year; but it is proposed to do each year the same proportion of the entire job in every section. For instance, if it is decided to build, the first year, say 20 per cent of the mileage in the piedmont, then it will be necessary to build that same 20 per cent of mileage in the mountains, and likewise 20 per cent of the mileage down by the sea. Thus the entire system will be brought to completion at approximately the same time, and no charges of favoritism can be brought. To be sure, under that system it may be necessary to wait until Ashe, and Bladen counties are both developed before we have roads from anywhere to anywhere. Two and a quarter million people may be compelled to wait on the convenience of a quarter million. But if such a compromise is necessary to keep down sectional jealousy that would threaten the whole program, why we, for one, are willing to accept it.

The point is, this program will inevitably reclaim the lost provinces, although that is only one incidental benefit among greater ones. It will make North Carolina a real social and commercial unit. It will open up to every section the markets of every other section. It will make the farm produce of the entire State available to city residents; and will open the city markets to every farmer. It will do more than any one other thing to break the dependence of North Carolina on the middle west for feed and foodstuffs. It will do more than any one other thing to make food and feedstuffs money crops for the North Carolina farmer. It will at once enable the farmer to sell dearer and the townsman to buy cheaper, for it will take the mud tax off farm produce and allow producer and consumer to split it, to their mutual profit.

But most important of all, it will tend toward the development of better schools, better homes, better churches all over N. C. Since the State is still rural by a heavy majority, this is of utmost importance to its future development.

The adoption of a first-class road program will reclaim the lost province beyond the Blue Ridge; but it will do a great deal more than that—it will do much to reclaim for North Carolina the ground she has lost since 1776, when she was the third State in the Union.—Greensboro News.

## Letter From Missionary T. L. Blalock.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS: We have been on the field about two months and all hands are down to their work. Our eight new missionaries are giving their time to the study of the language and are doing well in it. Brother Laraway and myself are doing our part in looking after the work here and in the country. Notwithstanding I have been away two years, and he is new in the work here, we seem to be getting our hands pretty well on the situation, but we will be able to more fully do so at the end of this year.

As some of you remember, before I left China over two years ago, we had asked the North China Baptist Mission, of the F. M. B., to send a family to help us, because we were short of workers. They sent Mr. and Mrs. Dawes, and when they were getting off on furlough last summer, Mr. and Mrs. Connelly came and took their places for the time being; but it was recently decided by the executive committee of the North China Baptist Mission to withdraw all their workers at the end of this year. This leaves us of the China Direct Mission alone with our own work in our own field. We appreciate the spirit and kindness of the executive committee in their decision, and we are truly grateful for all their mission has helped in this time of need and sore lack of missionaries.

Some changes will need to be made in our work and we shall have some serious problems to meet. Notwithstanding this, our prospects for getting down to a more spiritual basis here, were never better. We are earnestly praying for a genuine revival and more God-called laborers from among the Chinese. To this end pray with us and for us.

We have had but few letters from home since our arrival, and today I ran up our expense accounts for the past month and was astonished to see the increased cost of living here now. But we feel confident that God, through you, will supply our needs. We have proven His faithfulness over and over, until we count it a joy to trust and wait upon Him, walking by faith and not by sight.

To friends who enquire as to know how to send money to China. I wish to say, buy from your nearest bank a check on a New York, Chicago or St. Louis City Bank, and make the check payable to the person to whom the money is being forwarded. Put the same in a letter and direct it to our address in China—postage 5c. This can be done by your association treasurer, treasurer of your church or any individual.

T. L. BLALOCK,  
Fai An Fin, Shantung China.  
Nov. 10, 1920.

## J. C. Whittington, Former Watauga, Dies in Oregon.

News of the death of Mr. John C. Whittington, which occurred at his home in Coose county, Oregon, on Dec. 7, 1920.

Mr. Whittington was born in Watauga county Sept. 2, 1849, where he lived until April 20, 1872, when he, with a number of others, left for the far west, he locating in Coose county, Oregon, where he remained until his death. He leaves one brother and one sister in Coose county, Oregon, and two sisters in Los Angeles county, California. He was a highly respected citizen in his home county. Mr. Whittington will be well remembered by many of the older citizens of Watauga.

## Governor Morrison's Program.

We must enforce the law against crime in our state with God-like impartiality and justice.

We must take humane care of all our defective and unfortunate people, whose defects and misfortunes are of a character that they cannot care for themselves.

We must throw around the home and life of our people an enlightened world's knowledge of preventive medicine and make ceaseless war upon sickness.

We must make the common schools for the training and education of our children as good as any in the world.

We must make the State University . . . every one of its institutions for higher learning, adequate to discharge the glorious opportunities which our progress places upon them.

We must have good surfaced roads in the state. The main highways must be of hard surface, and dependable every day in the year.

We are ready to meet the reactionary and do battle with him in our determination to build this great system of state highways.

We must adopt a new system of taxation in which state taxation and county and other local taxation will be completely separated.

I most earnestly desire that we may unite for these larger and more pressing purposes.

## Commissioners' Attendance, 1920.

L. A. Greene, 20 days at \$3.00 per day.	\$60.00.
Traveled 144 miles at 5c. per mile.	\$7.20.
Total.....	\$67.20.
J. C. Brookshire, served 20 days at \$3.00 per day.	\$60.00.
Traveled 84 miles at 5c. per mile.	\$4.20.
Total.....	\$64.20.
J. C. Miller. Served 19 days at \$3.00 per day.	\$57.00.
Traveled 192 miles at 5c. per mile.	\$9.60.
Total.....	\$66.60.

I, W. R. GRAGG, Register of Deeds of Watauga county, N. C., and Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, hereby certify the above accounts to be true copies from the records and accounts in my office. This November 30, 1920.

W. R. GRAGG,  
Register of Deeds.

## ENTRY NOTICE, NO. 2554.

State of North Carolina, Watauga County. Office of Entry Taker for said county.

I, E. Story locates and enters one hundred (100) acres of land on the waters of Buffalo Creek, in Blue Ridge township, beginning on a bunch of chestnut sprouts and a laurel bush, Boone Coffey's corner, and running with the old Bryant line; now owned by the Grandin Lumber Co.; then running with this line 104 poles; then west with said line to a chestnut tree in said line; then crossing said creek to a black gum corner; then with the old Bryant line to a cucumber tree at the foot of the Rocky Ridge; then up said ridge and various courses with said Boone Coffey's line to the beginning. Entered Dec. 20, 1920.

H. J. HARDIN, Entry Taker.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Martha Carroll, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them within 12 months from the date of this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please come forward and make settlement. This 3rd day of January, 1921.

G. W. CARROLL,  
Adm. of Martha Carroll, Deed.

## COUNTY EXHIBIT.

(Continued from last paper.)

Charles Greer state vs. Jack and Dewey Swift 1 15; Andy Greer state vs. Jack and Dewey Swift 1 15; R A shore state vs. Jack and Dewey Swift 1 15; L J Michael state vs. Martin Yates 1 25; J L Tatum state vs. Jonty McGuire 1 55; Wade Norris state vs. Jonty McGuire 1 55; Jim Coffey state vs. Powell E. Harmon .25; W D Church state vs. Powell E. Harmon .25; D P. Wyke state vs. Powell E. Harmon 1 00; Mrs. Melia Collins state vs. Powell E. Harmon .75; W W Collins state vs. Powell E. Harmon 1 00; G M Sudderth state vs. Powell E. Harmon 1 00; D P Wyke state vs. Powell E. Harmon 1 55; W W Collins state vs. Powell E. Harmon 1 70; W L Holsheuser state vs. Powell E. Harmon 1 00; G M Sudderth state vs. Powell E. Harmon 1 00; Jasper Watson state vs. Dan Williams 1 90; J C Church state vs. Dave and Bill Ellison 1 90; Ralph Winkler state vs. Walter Woodring 1 20; C E Hagama state vs. Walter Woodring 1 60; C C Bowles state vs. M B Blackburn 1 35; A M Trivett state vs. M. B Blackburn 1 25; Bill Greene state vs. J R Reese 1 15; A J Wilson state vs. J R Reese 1 15; J M Miller state vs. J R Reese 1 25; R F Miller state vs. J R Reese 2 55; A L Miller state vs. J R Reese 2 45; T F Ford state vs. J R Reese 2 95; W R Bumgarner state vs. J R Reese 6 10; Armfield May, Russ Frmer and Martin ward 2 10; Rom Wilson, Russ Farmer and Martin ward 2 10; Dewey Andrew, J W Justice 2 25; Henry Fox, J W Justice, 2 25; Otha Andrews, J W Justice 2 25; J R Mast, Rom Lovill, 2 10; Linney Bares, Rom Lovill 1 75; A W Lewis, Rom Lovill 2 45; Ronnie Rupert, Lou Townsend 1 85; Troy Rupert, Lou Townsend 1 85.

November 1, 1920.

A W Smith juvenile work, coal and etc. 42 74; s R Brown keeping county home 1 80; Dr. J W Jones county physician and quarantine officer 13 50; J L Tatum services as register in Bald Mountain township 14 00; A M Miller for half fees .60; N C Green for half fees 2 70; H P Cook for half fees 1 85; R E Miller for half fees .60; W M Hodges for half fees 3 62; W R Johnson for half fees 1 20; H J Teague for half fees 2 60; J H Greene for half fees 1 17; J E Young, sheriff for half fees 1 20; O L Coffey c. c. s. c. for half fees 23 82; A V Smith c. s. c. for half fees 14 12; A D Farthing for half fees 5 20; W C Hollar for half fees 1 50; New C Greene keeping county jail for month of October 56 25; G G Whitcox freight 96 13; R M Greene jailor county, 4 45.

Total claims issued, \$10,474.50  
Road bonds, \$200,000.00  
Interest, \$6,741.00  
Total, \$271,849.00

By claims canceled \$6,972.25  
Amount of indebtedness to Nov. 30th, 1920 \$211,176.47  
This Nov. 30, 1920.

W. R. GRAGG,

Register of Deeds.

## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

Having qualified as administrator of L. Earp, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 4th day of December, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons owing said estate will please come forward and make settlement. This the 4th day of December, 1920.

R. A. ADAMS;

Adm. of L. C. Earp, deceased

## Report of the condition of THE BANK OF BLOWING ROCK

at Blowing Rock in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, Dec. 29, 1920:

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$140,020.61
Demand Loans	2,500.00
Overdrafts	850.17
U. S. and Liberty Bonds	4450.00
War Savings Stamps	711.71
Mayview Construction Co.	1500.00
Banking house	2750.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,033.00
All other real estate owned	190.34
Cash in vault and net amts. due from banks, bankers and trust companies	16,887.88
Cash items held over 24 hours	851.53
Checks for clearing and certificates of deposit	2,341.05
Lost check account	107.20
Total	\$175,193.94

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$16,000.00
Surplus fund	4,500.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses & taxes paid	3,966.78
Notes and Bills Rediscounted	11,009.00
Bills payable	10,000.00
Deposits subject to check	73,887.35
Time certificates of deposit	52,349.20
Cashier's checks outstanding	272.48
Due to banks and bankers	3,208.08
Total	\$175,193.49

State of North Carolina, county of Watauga, I, J. T. Miller, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. T. MILLER, Cashier.  
Corrected attests:  
J. A. LENTZ  
WILL LENTZ  
T. H. COFFEY

Directors,  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of Jan. 1921.  
G. M. Sudderth, Notary Public.

## Report of the condition of The Valle Crucis Bank

at Valle Crucis, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business on Dec. 29, 1920.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$111,522.37
Demand Loans	9,837.08
Overdrafts	2,000.00
U. S. and Liberty Bonds	2,216.00
Banking house	1365.59
Furniture and fixtures	1140.41
Cash in vault and amts due from banks, bankers and trust companies	5,531.02
Cash items held over 24 h's	232.51
Total	\$136,103.07

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	21,000.00
Surplus Fund	2,500.00
Undivided profits less current expenses & tax paid	457.70
Dividends Unpaid	30.00
Notes and Bills Rediscounted	2,500.00
Bills payable	9,000.00
Deposits subject to check	32,736.60
Time certificates of deposit	63,309.50
Savings deposits	3,834.20
Cashier's checks outstanding	75.11
Total	\$136,103.61

State of North Carolina, County of Watauga, J. T. Miller, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. T. MILLER, Cashier.  
Corrected attests:  
C. D. TAYLOR  
D. M. MAST  
D. M. MAST, Directors.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of Jan. 1921.  
W. H. MAST, J. P.

## The Bank of Boone

at Boone, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business Dec. 29, 1920.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$24,194.2
U. S. and Liberty Bonds	24.36
Furniture and fixtures	1750.5
Cash in vault and net amts due from banks, bankers and trust companies	1,209.9
Cash items held over 24 hours	2,973.00
Deposits subject to check	203.3
Time certificates of deposit	1,800.0
Total	\$32,224.48

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$10,000.00
Undivided profits	2,291.4
Bills payable	4,500.0
Deposits subject to check	4,545.6
Time certificates of deposit	285.0
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,000.0
Due to National banks	208.1
Due to state banks, bankers and trust companies	5,400.00
Deposits and foreign acceptances	1,800.00
Total	\$32,224.48

State of North Carolina, county of Watauga, I, V. E. Butler, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

V. E. BUTLER, Cashier.  
Corrected attests:  
W. N. Bridges  
S. C. Miller  
Burton K. Barrs, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15th day of Jan. 1921.  
Avery Y. Howell, Notary Public.

If you have money, you must think or you'll lose it; if you have none, you must think or you'll never have any.—Fx.

## MAMMOTH BRONZE TURKEYS.

I have for sale some real nice Mammoth Bronze Turkeys. They are raised from parent birds of pure blood, not related, and are as fine specimens as can be found and are strong and healthy. See them.

MRS. J. R. PHILLIPS,  
Sugar Grove, N. C.

## Is It Good Business

Some Banks pay their Depositors no interest. Some Banks pay interest. Banks which have enjoyed the rich harvest of using the money of their depositors without paying interest therefor claim it can't be done.

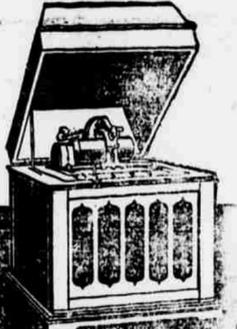
Well, IT IS DONE  
The Bank of Boone pays 2 per cent per annum on Monthly Balances on all Checking accounts.

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